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In the Claims:

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Currently amended) A semiconductor apparatus, comprising: a dielectric layer comprising a

surface, a portion of said surface having exposed aromatic groups, said dielectric layer being

formed from a precursor composition having a refractive index of at least about 1.52; and a

polycrystalline semiconductor layer comprising an organic semiconductor composition overlying

and in contact with said portion of said surface, said organic semiconductor composition

comprising a compound comprising a chain-like moiety, the chain-like moiety comprising a

conjugated thiophene or phenyl group and comprising alkyl chains at ends of the chain-like

moiety.

2. (Original) The semiconductor apparatus of claim 1, in which each of said moieties comprises

on average at least about three conjugated aromatic rings.

3. (Original) The semiconductor apparatus of claim 1, in which the alkyl chains comprise on

average between about 3 and about 12 carbon atoms.

4. (Cancelled).

5. (Original) The semiconductor apparatus of claim 1, in which said polycrystalline

semiconductor layer has a mobility of at least about 0.1 centimeters squared per volt-second.

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6. (Original) The semiconductor apparatus of claim 1, in which said polycrystalline

semiconductor layer has an average semiconductor crystal size of at least about 0.1 micrometer.

7. (Original) The semiconductor apparatus of claim 1, further comprising: a gate electrode; a

source electrode; and a drain electrode; said source and drain electrodes being in spaced apart

conductive contact with a channel portion of said semiconductor layer, said gate electrode being

positioned to control a conductivity of said channel portion.

8. (Original) The semiconductor apparatus of claim 2, in which each of said moieties comprises

on average between about three and about six conjugated aromatic rings.

9. (Currently amended) The semiconductor apparatus of claim 1 claim 4, in which said

precursor composition comprises a member selected from the group consisting of: naphthalenes,

styrenes, phenols, benzenes, and cresols.

10. (Original) The semiconductor apparatus of claim 7, in which the channel portion has an

on/off ratio of at least about 100.

11. (Original) The semiconductor apparatus of claim 8, in which the semiconductor

composition comprises a member selected from the group consisting of: 5,5'-Bis(4-n-

hexylphenyl)-2,2'-bithiophene; 5,5"-Bis(4-n-hexylphenyl)-2,2 ':5',2"-terthiophene; 5,5"'-Bis(4-n-hexylphenyl)-2,2 ':5',2"-terthiophene; 5,5"'-Bis(4-n-hexylphenylphenylphenylphenylphenylphenylphenylphenylphenylphenylphenylphenylphenylphenylphenylphenylphenylphenylphenylphenylphenylphenylphenylphenylphenylphenylphenylphenylphenylphenylphenylphenylphenylphenylphenylphenylphenylphenylphenylphenylphenylphenylphenylphenylphenylphenylphenylphenylphenylphenylphenylphenylphenylphenylphenylphenylphenylphenylphenylphenylphenylphenylphenylphenylphenylphenylphenylphenylphenylphenylphenylphenylphenylphenylphenylphenylphen

hexylphenyl)-2,2':5',2":5",2""-quaterthiophene; 1,4-Bis[5-(4-*n*-hexylphenyl)-2-thienyl]benzene; 2,5-Bis[4(4'-*n*-hexylphenyl)phenyl]thiophene; 5,5""-Bis(4-*n*-hexyl)-2,2':5',2":5",2""-quaterthiophene; 5,5""-Bis(4-*n*-hexyl)-2,2':5',2":5"",2""pentathiophene; 1,4-Bis[(5-*n*-hexyl)-2,2'-bithienyl]benzene; 2,6-bis(5-hexylthien-2-yl)naphthalene; and mixtures.

- 12. (Original) The semiconductor apparatus of claim 9, in which said dielectric layer comprises poly(4-vinylphenol-co-2-hydroxyethyl methacrylate).
- 13. (Original) The semiconductor apparatus of claim 11, in which the semiconductor composition comprises 5,5'-Bis(4-n-hexylphenyl)-2,2'-bithiophene.
- 14. (Cancelled)
- 15. (Cancelled)
- 16. (Cancelled)
- 17. (Cancelled)
- 18. (Cancelled)

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19. (Currently amended) An integrated circuit, comprising: a dielectric layer comprising a

surface, a portion of said surface having exposed aromatic groups, said dielectric layer being

formed from a precursor composition having a refractive index of at least about 1.52; a

polycrystalline semiconductor layer comprising an organic semiconductor composition overlying

and in contact with said portion of said surface, said organic semiconductor composition

comprising a compound comprising a chain-like moiety, the chain-like moiety comprising a

conjugated thiophene or phenyl group and comprising alkyl chains at ends of the chain-like

moiety; a gate electrode; a source electrode; and a drain electrode; said source and drain

electrodes being in spaced apart conductive contact with a channel portion of said semiconductor

layer, said gate electrode being positioned to control a conductivity of said channel portion.

20. (Cancelled)

21. (Previously presented) The semiconductor apparatus of claim 9, in which said dielectric

layer comprises a polyphenol, a polystyrene, a poly(4-vinylphenol-co-2-hydroxyethyl

methacrylate), or a poly(phenoxyethyl methacrylate).

22. (Previously presented) The semiconductor apparatus of claim 1, in which an alkyl chain

comprises, as a linkage in the chain, a member selected from the group consisting of oxygen,

nitrogen or sulfur.

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23. (Previously presented) The semiconductor apparatus of claim 1, in which an alkyl chain

comprises a hetero substituent.

24. (Previously presented) The semiconductor apparatus of claim 1, in which a thiophene or

phenyl group includes an alkyl- or hetero-substituent.

25. (Previously presented) The semiconductor apparatus of claim 1, in which each of said

moieties comprises between about 3 and about 10 conjugated aromatic rings.

26. (Previously presented) The semiconductor apparatus of claim 1, in which the dielectric layer

has at least the polarizability of chlorobenzene.

27. (New) The integrated circuit of claim 19, in which the precursor composition comprises a

member selected from the group consisting of: naphthalenes, styrenes, phenols, benzenes, and

cresols.